

# NEVADA LANDMARK GOES UP IN SMOKE

## Comstock Monument at Virginia City a Heap of Ruins

### TERMS OF MIZPAH EX. LEASE TO THE TONOPAH MINING COMPANY

Further information of the contract between the Mizpah Extension and the Tonopah Mining company, by which the latter company obtains possession of the estate of the former company is contained in a telegram from Philadelphia, which confirms the good news given for the first time in the Bonanza of Thursday. The statement follows:

"Both boards of Tonopah Mining and Mizpah Extension companies have approved an agreement which provides for developing the Mizpah Extension ground by the former company, which also bears all expenses. The lease covers a period of two years. The Mizpah Extension gets 50 per cent of the net profits of the ore taken out. The Tonopah Mining company is to vigorously prosecute work and to install the necessary equipment irrespective of expense, which will be borne by the Tonopah Mining company. A minimum of monthly expenditures has also been agreed upon.

"An option has been given to the Tonopah Mining company to purchase the Mizpah Extension ground any time during the two years of the lease, and in event of their exercising this option a new \$5,000,000 company will be formed. The Mizpah

Extension receive \$2,000,000 of the stock of this company. This will give the present Mizpah Extension stockholders somewhat more than share for share of present holdings.

"The Mizpah Extension is to have two representatives on the board of directors of the new company when formed. The Tonopah Mining company will provide the capital necessary for the new company and furnish a mill if necessary to build one. "In addition the Tonopah company assumes all the floating debt of the Mizpah Extension (which is very small) and cost of patenting claims.

"The Mizpah Extension will be developed under the direction of Prof. J. E. Spurr, of the Tonopah Mining company, and it is supposed that the present superintendent of the Mizpah Extension, Arthur A. Lawry, will be retained by the Tonopah Mining company. All the officers of the Mizpah Extension enthusiastically favor the plan and will send out notices at once for a special meeting of stockholders to vote on the ratification of the contract. Before the negotiations were started President Austin, of the Tonopah Mining company, resigned from the Mizpah Extension board so that the two companies could be free to carry on negotiations."

### HORACE WINCHELL FOR WEST END EXPRESSES HIMSELF POSITIVELY

In the Butler West End suit the time of the court was occupied this morning by the cross-examination of Horace V. Winchell, the eminent geologist retained by the West End company. Yesterday afternoon the witness had described the condition by saying: "The apex of the South dipping vein against the North dipping vein and the apex of the North dipping vein against the cap rock is as clear and definite and distinct as a dictionary is from a Bible and the window from its casing.

In a two hours' cross-examination the witness stated the ore was deposited at different geological periods of time and the North vein was of later origin than the South vein.

The statement of Manager John W. Chandler, who was brought into the case before he was appointed to his present position, was a complete answer to the intimation that he had reversed himself since he and Judge Lindley had been employed on the same side of the MacNamara case involving the same ledge.

"When you and I were together," said Mr. Chandler to Attorney Lindley, "I was decidedly of the opinion that the North and South ledges were one and the same ledge forming a perfect anticlinal roll. By raises which since have been put up on the North dipping ledge that ledge has been clearly shown to be above the South dipping ledge and apex against the cap rock. My opinion is based on existing facts. The reason I have changed my mind is that conditions have changed."

The discovery of ore in the shaft

of the West End, as detailed by Bob Christian in his testimony yesterday, was corroborated by the following extract from the Bonanza of April 4, 1903:

"Since completion of the new hoist sinking the West End shaft has progressed with great rapidity. With none the less faith in ultimate results, the management became convinced that crosscutting had been done at insufficient depth. Now between 393 and 395 feet, the shaft work develops a grand ledge, without any drifting, a remarkable fact. The past twelve hours has been devoted to clearing the mine of foul air, but the ledge has been sufficiently opened to determine that the course of the ledge is due east and west, dipping to the north at a 45 degree angle. The discovery settles the fact that the extensions of the Mizpah or Burro make direct across the narrow valley to the base of Mount Brougher nearing which the depth of the 'overflow capping' increases.

"The West End ore body looks good to competent judges of ore. It is a lively quartz of chloride character, but indicating also the presence of sulphides of silver. It is sufficiently metallic to carry a goodly proportion of gold finely disseminated. It is without doubt milling ore but, of course, exact values cannot be given until assay returns are had. If anything were needed to assure mine operators that Tonopah ledges exist at points where there are no surface outcrop of ore this discovery and others during the week have supplied all the evidence required."

### ARIZONA HANGING BEE CALLED OFF AGAIN

EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY SAVES  
CONVICTS FROM GOING  
TO THE GALLOWS.

(By Associated Press.)  
PHOENIX, Dec. 12.—There will be no hanging in Florence penitentiary on December 19th. The six men condemned by the vote against the abolishment of capital punishment have won the clemency of the governor. Two sentences were commuted today and the others referred to the supreme court and attorney-general.

### Fugitive Warship Hiding In Inlet

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Dec. 12.—A Valparaiso dispatch says: "It is reported the German cruiser Dresden took refuge in an inlet on the Patagonia coast. The Dresden is the only vessel of the German squadron which met the British in the South Atlantic December 8th which has not been accounted for."

### MEXICO DISREGARDS WARNING OF WILSON

IMPERATIVE NOTICE FROM  
WASHINGTON TO CEASE  
FIRING ON BORDER.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The United States has served formal notice upon both Provisional President Gutierrez and General Carranza that unless they promptly prevent their troops from firing across the American boundary, such force will be employed by this government as may be necessary to protect American territory.

(By Associated Press.)  
EL PASO, Dec. 12.—A second warning from the Washington government to Maytorena has been received demanding that Maytorena withdraw immediately from range of the American border. This was given verbally to the Maytorena agent at Washington.

(By Associated Press.)  
NACO, Dec. 12.—Maytorena asserted today he had no word from Gutierrez to cease firing. Maytorena is preparing for the final attack on Naco.

A store that advertises must be a store of values—of "bargains"—or the advertising would not pay.

TODAY AND A YEAR AGO.

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah:

	1914	1913
5 a. m.	15	26
9 a. m.	14	34
12 noon	17	41
2 p. m.	24	45

### WALL ST. WAKES FROM SLUMBER OF FOUR MONTHS

CHEERING MULTITUDES GREET  
THE RESUMPTION OF  
STOCK TRADING.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Wall street came into its own today. The stock exchange, which had been closed for nearly four and a half months, except for limited trading in bonds during the last two weeks, reopened at 10 o'clock for active trading in stocks. Not for many years has such a throng of brokers been seen on the floor. The gallery was filled. The first chime of Trinity church bells has long been the signal for sounding the gong. As the clock struck a wave of cheering rippled over the exchange, which swelled into a vast roar. To prevent curb speculation, trading was for cash only.

### ALLIES WINNING ALONG BANKS OF THE YSER

INFANTRY ATTACK RESULTS IN  
DESTRUCTION OF GERMAN  
ENTRENCHMENTS.

(By Associated Press.)  
PARIS, Dec. 12.—Three German batteries were destroyed, others silenced and several German trenches blown up when the allies made a series of successful infantry attacks, and won back possession of an extended section along the west bank of the Yser canal, Belgium, to capture which Germans engaged in the most desperate, deadly fighting of the war in the west. The allies accomplished these advantages after artillery engagements in the region of Arras, Aisne, Perthes and Vosges.

### LONE STAR FINANCED BY SPRAGUE COMPANY

BANKER WATTERSON, OF BISHOP, PRESIDENT, REPORTS  
TERMS OF BIG DEAL.

W. W. Watterson, the leading banker of eastern California, told the Bonanza this morning that he had financed a deal through the C. S. Sprague Investment company of Goldfield by which the Lone Star, owning the largest acreage in the gold belt, will be operated and developed without delay. The Sprague company will furnish \$34,000 to the treasury of the Lone Star and proceed immediately sinking a three-compartment shaft under the management of James Healy, the former superintendent. This is the first effect of the revival of the southern camp and one which indicates there is going to be an era of costly development.

JUDGMENT FOR WATER BILL  
AGAINST ATTORNEY-GENERAL

In the case of the Water company of Tonopah against George B. Thatcher to recover payment of a bill for \$156 for water used at defendant's house when he was a resident of this city, was decided in favor of plaintiff last Friday and execution ordered.

## INTERNATIONAL HOTEL DESTROYED BY FIRE AFTER 39 YEARS' SERVICE

(Special to the Bonanza.)

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev., Dec. 12.—Ghosts that tenanted the old International hotel will be homeless tonight. This morning fire swept through the high celled rooms, climbed the walnut balustrades, and soon left the richest storehouse of memories of the Golden West a heap of brick.

The International was built by Mackay, Flood and Fair in the days when the Comstock lode was making millionaires, and it seemed Virginia City would stand forever. The building was six stories high and cost \$140,000 when it was built in 1876. The bar was finished in mahogany and walnut, the glasses were the finest and the bar tender drew beer with a silver-mounted pump. Of late the old inn has fallen into disrepair. The McCourt and Wright saloon was wrecked by falling walls.

### BERLIN REPORTS SUCCESSSES ON ALL SIDES

RUSSIANS SUFFER HEAVILY AND  
FRENCH LOSE MANY  
BY DEATH.

(By Associated Press.)  
BERLIN, Dec. 12.—On the east Prussian frontier the German cavalry repulsed the Russian cavalry, taking three hundred prisoners. South of Vistula and in northern Poland German operations are developing. The Germans repulsed the enemy in southern Poland and in the Argonne the French suffered heavy losses in the number killed, while many of the troops were severely shaken and unable to fight. The French were repulsed in Flanders with 200 killed, Germans taking 340 prisoners.

### GERMANS RETIRE IN DISORDER FRONT OF WARSAW

ADVANCING LINES PIERCED IN  
TWO PLACES BY RUSSIAN  
FORCES.

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Dec. 12.—Petrograd dispatches assert that the front of the German forces advancing toward Warsaw from the northwest has been pierced in two places. The French, referring to the same phase of the campaign, says violent German attacks were defeated, the Germans retreating in disorder.

The German center, west of Warsaw, made an attack and was repulsed with heavy losses. It is believed the German advance has been checked for the time being.

### MRS. JAS. G. SWEENEY SUES FOR DIVORCE

CARSON CITY, Dec. 12.—Yesterday in the district court Mrs. James G. Sweeney filed a complaint of divorce against her husband, James G. Sweeney, on the ground of cruelty, and for a division of property rights, which she claims to be worth about \$30,000. She states also he is receiving attorney's fees of approximately \$750 monthly. It is understood that an amicable settlement of property interests has been agreed on between the parties before the filing of the papers. The daughter, Alice Louise, will be awarded to the custody of the mother.

NEW SLIDE IN CULEBRA  
WILL DELAY SHIPPING

(By Associated Press.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—A private dispatch from the Panama zone says a new slide in Culebra cut would delay shipping two days or more.

### SAN FRANCISCO MEN PUT CAPITAL IN A TONOGOLD LEASE

FIRST STRONG COMPANY ORGAN-  
IZED TO DEVELOP THE NEW  
CAMP OF TONOGOLD.

The Arizona Leasing company has been organized for the purpose of taking over an extended lease on the Saunders-Sorenson claims at Tonogold and work will begin in minerlike fashion about the first of the year. The company is sinking on the old Epitome shaft where a ledge has been found looking better than where the original leaseholders left off. The ledge is more oxidized and gives promise of making good with depth. The Arizona Leasing company has also taken over the former McQuillan lease, making a total length of 500 feet. Work will be prosecuted in the Epitome shaft, which was down to 150 feet when abandoned.

W. J. Bathurst, who promoted the Arizona company, has enlisted the capital of a number of the leading business men of San Francisco, who will provide funds to give the camp a complete tryout. Bathurst formerly held a lease from Talty and has been with Tonogold since the inception of the camp, and is firmly convinced that the camp will make good. In the ground held under lease he believes there are three ledges converging in an ore body which will prove profitable to the investors. These include the Murphy lead and the Campbell & Kelly lead, which has been opened on the adjoining property by the foundrymen. Arrangements have been made to install a 14 horse power gas engine, to be in place by the first of January, with the object of sinking to a depth of 150 feet, where a crosscut will be run west from the shaft to two ledges opened in shallow holes.

### TON. EX. DECLARES A DIVIDEND FOR CURRENT QUARTER

ANOTHER TONOPAH PRODUCER  
PROVIDES A HANDSOME  
NEW YEAR'S GIFT.

The Tonopah Extension Mining company has declared a dividend of 7 1/2 cents, payable January 1, 1915, representing a distribution of profits aggregating \$70,725 for the past quarter and making a total of \$211,875 for the current year. Since the inception of the company the total of \$685,776 has been paid stockholders in dividends, the value of the property has been doubled through development and mill construction, and the outlook for the coming year is brighter than ever before, providing the value of silver is established at something like its former figure, of which there seems no doubt.

FORMER NEVADA MAN  
MAYOR OF SPOKANE

C. M. Fasset, well known in Nevada and brother of Mrs. C. T. Bender, has been elected mayor of Spokane, Wash., for a term of four years. A Spokane newspaper says: "Fasset is an ideal man for the mayoralty. He is a credit to the office, as it is to him."

He has resided in Spokane for 15 years and has been on the board of commissioners of that place for several years. He lived in Nevada a short time. After leaving here he moved to the northern city, but makes an annual visit to Reno.

### CASHBOY PRESIDENT FAMILIAR WITH MINING SCIENCE

CONFIDENT HIS TONOPAH IN-  
VESTMENT WILL BRING  
GOOD RETURNS.

A. C. Ross, president of the Tonopah Cash Boy Consolidated Mining company, is one of the best known capitalists of Salt Lake, who is familiar with the mining game from every standpoint. He is eminently practical, as demonstrated by his successes in Idaho and Utah, and the fact that he sticks to Tonopah is sufficient evidence of his belief in the certainty of making a producing mine out of the Cash Boy.

Mr. Ross has been a visitor in Tonopah for the past week during which he completed arrangements for resuming work on the Cash Boy with three shifts which start in Monday morning to unwater the shaft, after which the depth will be increased 150 feet. Mr. Ross is one of the chief stockholders of the Pittsburg Idaho mine of Gilmore, Idaho, and also the Wilbert Mining company, whose property is situated 20 miles south of Gilmore at an isolated station on the Mack branch of the railroad between Mackay and Blackfoot. The Wilbert operates a concentrator and formerly shipped fifty tons of concentrates running 55 per cent lead daily. The Wilbert will close January 1st pending a readjustment of the metal markets. On the first of last June conditions were extremely favorable, but when war broke out the smelter said they could not accept a pound of lead. This was amended so the smelter was willing to take fifty per cent of the capacity of the property, but even this was qualified by the statement that the contract was revocable if conditions got worse. Owing to the fact that the overhead charges would be as great running the mine to fifty per cent capacity as operating full the mine was closed.

The Pittsburg Idaho is still shipping, but only such ore as taken out in course of development, which amounts to 15 to 18 cars a month. Plans for the Cash Boy contemplate sinking 150 feet to the level of the Victor. A larger boiler has been installed and a new ventilating system and Mr. Ross thinks it will be only a week or ten days before the shaft is unwatered, when mining will be resumed under the able management of Eddie Mead, who was instrumental in interesting Mr. Ross and associates in this district.

ELKS SPECIAL FOR GOLDFIELD  
CHARITY BALL TUESDAY NIGHT

Tonopah lodge of Elks will run a special train to Goldfield next Tuesday night when the Goldfield lodge holds its annual charity ball and the general public is invited to avail themselves of the privilege of making the trip under B. P. O. E. auspices. The train will leave here at 7:30 p. m. and returning leave Goldfield at 3:45 a. m. The special will arrive and leave from the uptown station in Goldfield.

### Christmas Truce Proves Failure

(By Associated Press.)  
ROME, Dec. 12.—The Vatican authorities have made public a document setting forth the efforts by the pope to obtain a truce of war during the Christmas season. The efforts of the pontiff failed, according to the announcement. "Owing to the opposition of a certain power," which is believed to refer to Russia.